

An Edmonton NEWS LETTER

By T. B. WINDROSS

EDMONTON (Press Gallery).—The big news during the week has been the opening of the 15th legislature of Alberta, and, while the daily news papers have carried very complete stories of this important event, there are thousands of readers of weekly papers who never see a daily or only seldom, and so it would be difficult to write a summary of the news with out referring to it.

Dignity, decorum and impressive were the outstanding characteristics of the seasonal opening ceremonies. Beldom, if ever, has this picturesque event been so full of solemnity. Despite the fact that the period of official mourning for the death of His Late Majesty, King George V, had the ceremonies take a somber tone, there was plenty of interest.

While cannon booming the 15-gun salute to the king's representative, His Honor, Lieutenant-Governor W. L. Walsh, the proceedings began. The latter below zero weather made it advisable for the military display to be held inside the big rotunda of the Legislative buildings, where the guard of honor, 50 strong, lined two sides of the hall, in two lines of scarlet and khaki against the background of marble pillars and floral decorations.

In the crowded chamber itself, where every inch of space was occupied, the usual attendance of most spectators on the main floor wore sombre black, instead of the customary brilliant colors, in costume. Only the red tunics of the Royal Mounted officers gave a splash of color to the scene.

Members of the legislature wore black ties and dark suits and the proceedings were a bit unusual because of changes necessitated by the death of the crown. The opening of a new speaker also gave a touch of novelty to the occasion. Hon. N. E. Tanner, M.L.A., was the government's first choice and, after his rejection, took the new chair on the dais. The only failure in the program was that the speaker's new uniform had not arrived from the English tailor who made it. He had to wear a substitute robe provided by a judge of the supreme court. The unfortunate gown arrived Saturday—but without the paste, and a hurried order had to be sent to a local tailor for a pair to be ready for Monday.

Friday the legislature took up its regular work with the first shots being fired in the debate on the speech from the throne, which His Lieutenant-governor read Thursday afternoon. Two fine speeches were made by Rev. Roy Taylor, M.A., and Fletcher Crook, and Mrs. Edith Rogers of Ponoka, who defeated former premier, Mr. J. E. Brownlie, in the election.

These speeches in moving and seconding the reply to the throne speech were well above the average. Such efforts and such a unanimous applause from all sides of the house. Following Mrs. Rogers, W. R. Howson, Liberal leader, took up the cudgels in the first attack on the Social Credit government this session.

He demanded that the promises made in the election by the Hon. Albert B. Brown be implemented during this session, or else the resignation of the government should be presented to the Lieutenant-governor. He declared that not a single member of the government party believed the promised basic dividends of \$25 monthly would be paid during the session.

Tactics of the opposition became clear with Mr. Howson's speech. He spoke only twenty minutes and it is said that D. C. Fortney, a narrative leader, who is expected to speak later, will only occupy a few minutes also.

Social Crediters, who protested smilingly against Mr. Howson's challenge to bring on the Social Credit (Continued on Page 3)

Crowfoot

CROWFOOT, Feb. 10.—The Crowfoot bridge club met last Tuesday evening even though it was 24 below, but the boys say that that made them play that much harder. John Penikew and Veri Campbell came out on the ice for the evening. Quin McFarland had the high score for the four nights.

The severe cold and stormy weather has been very bad for business and feed stocks and several reports that unless we get a chinook in the very near future the feed problem will be a serious one. Quin McFarland is reported losing stock already.

Mrs. J. Clarke Jr. is spending a few days in Bassano.

It is really true that the Bid Horns went out to milk one night with a

JAMES JOHNSTON ELECTED PRESIDENT BASSANO BOARD OF TRADE 1936 TERM

W. E. Cain, M.L.A., Hon. Pres.; H. W. Harper, Vice-Pres.; Wm. McLaws, Sec.—Financial Report for 1935, Committee Reports Presented—Suspend Proposal to Hold Monthly Meetings

Jas. Johnston, local business man, was the unanimous choice for president of the Bassano board of trade at its annual meeting on Wednesday, February 12, for the ensuing year. Other officers elected were W. E. Cain, M.L.A., honorary president; H. W. Harper, vice-president (re-elected); Wm. McLaws, secretary.

Elected to the fair grounds trustees board were W. B. Playfair, H. T. Johnson, S. H. Edwards, C. MacKinnon and M. R. Milroy. H. H. Beeber is the official auditor. This will not be the first time Jas. Johnston has served as president of the board of trade; he was one of the prime organizers of the board in early days when he served as president; and he was also president for consecutive years a few years ago. Mr. Johnston has had wide experience in organization work in community affairs in Bassano.

The auditor's report revealed that the financial status of the board has been weakened, but that receipts, on the whole, have fairly met the expenditures of a steady margin. The cash balance was somewhat depleted.

Reports were tendered by W. K. Webb of the entertainment committee; Dr. Barlow of the cemetery committee; H. H. Beeber of the public affairs committee; H. Beeber of the parks committee and H. W. Harper of the swimming pool committee.

Membership for the year 1935 has dropped to 58 as compared with 67 in 1934. Following a proposal by H. A. Holmes that the next meeting be held from now on instead of semi-monthly, discussion pro and con took place. It was moved that the matter of changing the meeting dates be left in the hands of the new executive.

A letter was read from former President F. D. McNaughton, who expressed best wishes for the board in its activities. The secretary was instructed to write Mr. McNaughton tendering the thanks and appreciation of each member for the capable services he rendered the board in its term of president.

Upon motion of the board, the retiring executives were given a vote of thanks.

In Memoriam

Love's tribute to the memory of a loving husband and father, Roy Taylor, M.A., who was called to rest February 10, 1935.

"Deep in our hearts you are fondly remembered."

Sweet happy memories cling round your name.

True hearts, that loved you with love, will never forget you.

Always will love you in death just the same."

Badly missed by wife and children of Bassano.

SELL PHONE SYSTEM

EDMONTON, Feb. 12.—The possibility of purchasing the provincial telephone system was discussed by New York financial interests, according to information given by the legislature by Hon. W. A. Pallon, minister of telephone.

No definite proposal has been made to the government, said Mr. Pallon. Interim and hang the ball on a nail, took the interim and sit it down under the cow? You must have met a grand old man last night, did. The Mapekake bridge club met last Saturday evening, though there were four players not present on account of the weather. Floyd Mall and Veri Campbell had the high score of the evening while Mrs. F. L. Nall had the high score for the four nights.

Tom Mullen was re-elected trustee for the Mapekake district at the annual meeting last Saturday.

Word has been received of the death of D. C. Fortney, well-known and well liked in this community. The people of this vicinity extend their sincere sympathy to Mrs. Fortney and family, who are at present residing in Calgary, in their sad bereavement.

Mr. Merriam returned from Calgary last Wednesday driving a 1930 Plymouth. He had to leave the car at Haddow's due to the road being too slick to handle.

Gordon Jones and Chas. Merriam

NEW FEATURE

Beginning with this issue, The Mail will carry "An Edmonton News Letter," a summary of happenings in the provincial legislature. It is written by the well-known political commentator, T. B. Windross.

Having known and admired Mr. Windross for years, we can assure our readers that this series will cover the doings at Edmonton in an entertaining and unbiased fashion. He has had a distinguished career in newspaper work from coast to coast, but is now connected with no particular newspaper organization. The past few years he has been in and out of the legislature, recognized as one of the best interpreters of the news.

Events in the northern city are going to be of interest to you and you can follow them with these letters.

H. S. BANQUET POSTPONED

The Bassano High School banquet, which was to be held on Friday, February 16, has been postponed to Friday, April 3.

Continued cold weather and impassable rural roads was given as the reason for the postponement.

Gem

GEM, Feb. 11th.—The blizzard last Thursday practically stopped all social activities in Gem for some time. Some roads are impassable for cars and others are nearly so. Mr. Standen, our local postmaster, is having plenty of difficulties these days handling the mail to Bassano.

Mrs. C. Archibald is enjoying holiday visiting friends in Medicine Hat, Coaldale and Campton.

The many friends of D. C. Fortney were shocked and grieved to hear of his sudden death on Friday, February 7, in Calgary. Mr. Fortney was a resident in Gem for many years, and took an active part in community affairs. He and his family left Gem last spring to go to Mapekake, and in the fall they moved to Calgary. Roy Taylor was re-elected trustee for the Mapekake district and five children.

Don't forget the big rabbit drive which is to be held on Sun., Feb. 16 to raise funds for the Hockey Club.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Pollock were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gough on Wednesday evening of last week.

The Gem Community Club is sponsoring a play, "Deacon Dubbs," to be presented in March some time. Practices are being held twice a week when the weather permits and it is hoped that the play will be ready for presentation in five or six weeks.

Rosemary

Last Week's News

ROSEMARY, Feb. 6.—Miss Geneva Brown spent the week end in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Mathews and daughter Joan returned home Friday evening after a week visiting friends and relatives in Sundial.

The Rosemary Hockey boys played their return game with the Countess team at Countess on Sunday. Rosemary was defeated 7-6.

Geoff Lock left on Wednesday evening for Calgary. Surviving are his widow, Margaret, three daughters, Gladys of Calgary, Alberta, and Alice and Joan of Calgary, and two sons, Donald and Harvey of Calgary. Rev. Alfred Bright will conduct funeral services Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at London's funeral chapel. Interment will take place in Burialland cemetery.

Miss Dorothy Adams spent the week end in Calgary.

Miss Betty Adams is confined to her home with the mumps.

report a couple of days of hot bridge at Campbell's while the blizzard was doing his best to keep the boys cool and calm.

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PRESIDENT

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Continued Cold

Weather for the past week has been continued cold with no great variation in temperature. Sub-zero weather prevails while business activities have slowed up, due to blocked and impassable roads. The government snowplow came through from the west on the main highway on Monday night. The Grosvenor Bus Lines snowplow cleared the road from Medicine Hat to Bassano on Tuesday. The temperature averaged for the week will range between 25 and 30 below zero.

SMALL ATTENDANCE AT RATEPAYERS' MEET

11 Ratepayers in Attendance—Report Presented—Many Questions, Detailed Explanation.

The meeting of the Bassano ratepayers held recently was attended by only 11 individuals, a full council being present. A general discussion of accounts took place, and many questions were asked with answers being given thoroughly; the chairman of each committee, after presenting his report, answered questions concerning his committee.

General information revealed that receipts fall off by nearly 31,000 in 1935 as compared with 1934. In the year 1934 receipts were \$11,197.44 and in 1935 were \$28,765.79. The supplementary revenue mill rate was increased by a half mill in the year 1935, bringing the levy up to 24 mills. But the municipal rate in the last ten years has dropped from 47 mills in 1925 to 34 mills in 1935.

WEDDING

FOX—HERMANSON

A quiet marriage was solemnized at the United Church manse, Brooks, on Wednesday, January 22, at 12 o'clock noon, when Veri, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mattie Hermanson of Brooks and Reginald Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Fox of Chetwynd, were united in marriage by the Rev. H. H. Hinchey of Brooks.

Mrs. Mattie Hermanson, mother of the bride, and Mr. Waldorf Hermanson, brother of the bride, acted as attendants.

Mr. and Mrs. Fox will reside on their farm near Cassils.—Brooks Bulletin.

D. C. FORTNEY DIES IN CALGARY

Former resident of Gem, David Carlton Fortney, 53 years of age, died Friday evening, after a long illness, at his home, 1014 10th Avenue S.W., following a brief illness. Born in Iowa, the late Mr. Fortney came to Alberta in 1914, farming in the Gem district until October of 1934, when he moved to Calgary. Surviving are his widow, Margaret, three daughters, Gladys of Calgary, Alberta, and Alice and Joan of Calgary, and two sons, Donald and Harvey of Calgary. Rev. Alfred Bright will conduct funeral services Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock at London's funeral chapel. Interment will take place in Burialland cemetery.

IN DAYS OF "HAND-SET"

With the thermometer hovering between 15 and 30 degrees below zero the past few days, the editor has had his own time getting out a paper this week. Thirty below zero outside means that fifty a few feet from the

Flanagan, Slorance Re-elected School Trustees Bassano Civic Election Mon.

Mrs. H. D. Bacon Loses in Contest—Three Nominates 52 Voters Turn Out Bitter Cold—Quiet Election



BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Kraus of Rossmore, a daughter on February 9.
BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Anshry Evans of Bassano, a daughter on February 8.
BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. David J. Kandorf of Rossmore, a daughter on February 12.

BARLOW RE-NAMED CHIEF OF FIREMEN

Slate of Three Officers Returned at Annual Meeting of Firemen—Reports Tendered—Positions Allotted to Men on Brigade.

Dr. R. E. Barlow, fire chief, Harry Beeber, assistant chief, and Jan Simpson, secretary, were re-elected by acclamation at the annual meeting of the fire-navigators last Thursday at the local Sonsdale hall. Reports presented included the financial report of the secretary and a summary of the brigade's activities for the past year. The fire chief has last five minutes by Chief Barlow. Dwellings and all buildings have been inspected to avoid the fire hazard, and with the exception of a chimney fire, no loss has been recorded by fire during the latter two months.

Dr. M. Milroy, Dan Simpson and Harry Beeber were appointed on the executive committee of the firemen, the latter to act as representative on the local Sonsdale committee.

Positions allotted the firemen for the fighting of fires are as follows: Hydrants—E. E. Hinton, T. Ingber and H. T. Johnson.
Nozzle-men—A. B. Maurer, M. R. Milroy, E. E. Hinton and J. Nesbitt.
Hose reel—H. Beeber, M. MacLean, George LePage and G. Fisk.

MITCHELL ELECTED TO CITY COUNCIL

Leads C.A.G. Entry to Become Fourth Best Credit Auditors in Calgary—21,889 Ballots Are Cast in Bitter Cold Weather

Calgary voters Wednesday chose D. V. Mitchell and his Social Credit principles to fill a vacancy on the city council left by the appointment of Dr. Cameron Sinclair, C.A.G. incumbent, as police magistrate.

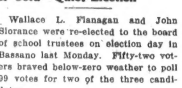
Voters to the number of 11,463 marked their ballots for Mitchell, his Social Credit platform, and the campaign, Harold W. Riley, Civic Government association nominee, had local votes. John Wells, independent, was given 362 votes. Rejected ballots totaled 176.

Mr. Mitchell's election gave the Social Credit forces four members on the aldermanic council, which with Labor and Independent-Labor votes in progressive politics common to the three forces, render Civic Government Association as a lesser factor in civil affairs.

The count was completed shortly after 10 o'clock, showing that approximately 22,000 voters had gone to the polls regardless of the cold weather which prevailed throughout the day. The election in the city was held last November when the Social Credit party entered civic election. At that time the vote was 27,000 for Social Credit, 10,000 for the other parties. Mayor Andrew Davidson won over W. R. Herbert, Social Credit candidate, by a majority of slightly more than 2,000.

To the memory of city officials who spoke from personal association with civic elections in the past 25 years, the day was the coldest in which voters had been called to the polls. Regular elections at one time were held in December but cold weather, by its fortune, had always been avoided—Calgary Alberta.

stove in the printing office where there is so much cold metal and very little hot air, and no human being can set type with far-lined gloves on. (Bassano Mail, Jan. 6, 1936.)



Wallice L. Flanagan and John Wallace L. Flanagan were re-elected to the board of school trustees on election day in Bassano last Monday. Fifty-two voters braved below-zero weather to poll 99 votes for two of the three candidates.

Mrs. H. D. Bacon 20
Wallice L. Flanagan 41
John Slorance 38
There were no ballots spoiled, and of the 52 voters, four voted for only one candidate. Election day passed quietly while Bassano shuddered in frigid temperatures. Had it been any warmer, said Returning Officer J. R. Donaldson, 125 voters would have been expected at the polls out of a possible 175.

Flanagan and Slorance were officially declared elected by the returning officer at the town hall 11 a.m. on Tuesday. The complete slate of the school trustees now is W. Flanagan, J. Slorance, Roy Smith, J. H. Simpson and Jan Johnston.

The total cost to the town for the election, it is reported, will not exceed \$15.

HUSSAR SNOWED IN; ROADS IMPASSABLE

Roads Completely Blocked—Mail Service Disrupted—Communication Cut Off Over Week-end—Block Feed Sours

(By Our Correspondent)

On Saturday the council of the village of Hussar sent a telegram to W. E. Cain, M.L.A., at Edmonton, asking for the use of a snowplow from the standard corner to Hussar. The need of clearing up the roads is quite imperative. For ten days the roads have been practically impassable. The mail did not get out of town for ten days, and then was sent out on Monday's train.

The snow lies deep over the country for miles around, and only sleds had any chance of getting by. A truck was hauled in on Monday with a tractor, and it is hoped that the roads may be dug out on Tuesday, but it is feared that the roads have been so bad that the village of Hussar has been so isolated, one trail in and out once each week, and mails and traffic held up by road conditions. Telephone lines, too, have been cut off of communication over the week-end.

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May God forbid our scribbling on this page the things that merely please. We would be considered the opinion of others; but we would not be mindful of the intangible laws of cause and effect; for therein lies the wisdom of the ages.

COWBOYS AS SINGERS

"Give me my boots and saddle."
"I'm headed for the last roundup."
"Old faithful, we'll ride the range to gether."

These are extracts from some of the cowboy songs that have been dimpling the inter-stellar spaces for a year or two, hitting the peaks of popularity with radio audiences everywhere.

But Congressman Maverick, of Texas, complains that these songs are not saturated with some brush but synthetically manufactured to tickle the ears of the sentimental multitudes.

Cowboy-seldom sing, he says.
Maverick could know because his dad ran thousands of cattle on the Texas plains. He was in the Civil War for a couple of years and when he returned home the range was covered by his unbranded calves. So all unbranded cattle ranging with properly branded horns were known as "maverick."

From our own memory we can recall very few, if any, cowboys who were romantic songbirds. "Handsome" Charlie Parks could not sing a lick. Neither could Sam Howe, or old Bill Krep, Bill Caldwell, Hank Smith, George Crooks, Tommy Owens or Jim McGarry.

Charlie McKinnon never offered to sing, nor Alex Nesbitt, nor Harry Bredin nor George Lane.

Norman Stafford wasn't too bad but he was never a grand opera star. Dr. W. G. Anderson could chirp some, but he's a sheep rancher. Baldy Buck was a silent man.

Who ever heard of "Happy" Jackson singing, or Tom Evans or Paul Ryckman? Jim Pierce could cuss but he couldn't sing. The Edge boys might have been a fine duo but we never heard tell of it.

Stone Roberts had the name of a singer and Jack Morton the build, but that let them out. Walter Deegan was a swell "puncher" but not so good on the singing end.

Billy Playfair, of course, always could sing, but he's the exception. We're not sure whether or not Mike Stapleton ever sang.

George Emerson couldn't sing but "Scotty" could. We don't know about Rod McLeay's ability in this line.

But what a great "round-up" it would be if all these "boys" could be got together in one grand round-up once again. These, and many others who could also be mentioned.

Sad to say it's impossible. Some of them have gone to the Great Beyond. Others have scattered hither and thither and taken up new occupations. Passing years have silvered the hair and slowed down the energy of others.

The happy days of the wide-open grass plains are gone and, too, a time of care-free, good-hearted, open-handed manhood who "rode the ranges."

If you lie to help a man out of a scrape he will always remember you as an accommodating liar.

JUSTICE COURTS AND POLITICS

The involved processes of justice in the United States are completely beyond the comprehension of Canadians. The latest example, that of the pardoning of Hauptmann, found guilty of kidnapping the Lindbergh baby, by the governor of the state of New Jersey, illustrates how political figures can force intrusion into what can properly be described as the proceedings of the regularly set up courts of justice.

A similar circumstance would be the interfering by Premier Aberhart of Alberta with the condemnation of a man found guilty of murder in the provincial criminal courts. Of course the Alberta premier and all other provincial premiers would not consider such a move for a moment. Our courts are set up for the particular purpose of adducing the evidence and deciding the case and imposing the punishment. A final appeal for clemency can be taken to the premier of Canada at Ottawa but the practise there is to interfere just as little as possible with the sentence of the courts.

It is quite different in the United States. There it seems that the state governor can intervene and make a move, at a time at least the findings of the regular courts and the penalty inflicted. This is a dangerous power in the hands of a political leader.

"THEY WHO ARE WITHOUT THIS SIN..."

While it is evident that Anglo-Saxon nations are opposed to the Italians in their war effort against Ethiopia, and Premier Mussolini is continually belittled and criticised in newspapers and by radio, we have a great deal of sympathy for the Italian people and their premier.

It should not be forgotten that Italy broke with her allies, Austria and Germany, and entered the Great War on the side of the Allied Powers, headed by Great Britain and France. It should not be overlooked that Italy got very little recompense for her heroic efforts, heavy loss of life and tremendous expenditures of treasure as a result of the war.

A disheartened and disrupted nation faced communism when Premier Mussolini took control. The fascist party sought to bring about a renaissance and reached the limit when the depression came along and other nations upreared tremendous trade barriers against Italian products.

With insufficient natural resources, inadequate trade and an over-populated land Mussolini sought to remedy matters by following a time-honored method, that of taking over a rich country populated by barbarous and backward people.

It seems to be accepted as true that the great powers tacitly agreed to the move until the Italian troops were in transit and the campaign almost under way. Then the opposition arose, likely to the great surprise of Mussolini.

Those nations with great colonial possessions gained through many wars should not be the ones to point out to Italy the error of her ways.

THE IMMIGRATION PROBLEM

Sir Edward Beatty, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, says that Canada must encourage immigration. No great applause from the multitude of Canadians followed the publication of this statement. Nevertheless it is worthy of careful analysis.

Who are to be brought in under the proposed increases? Skilled workmen cannot come in under existing laws and jobs are not available for many if they were permitted to come. Professional men cannot come and the country is over-supplied there, too. This leaves the laborer and the prospective farmer as the two classes which can come to Canada.

When railways, roads, irrigation systems, canals, and other great works were being built, there was work aplenty for laborers. Also when the western harvests were abundant and combines and trucks were not in general use a large influx of labor was necessary every autumn. That is not the case today.

There is, however, ample land of good quality upon which farmers can settle. But what is to be done with their surplus production? Even Great Britain, the prospective source of the bulk of the proposed immigration, balks at taking our surplus farm products at what seems beggarly prices.

Until prices for farm products reach remunerative levels and until food deficient countries again express a wish to take our surplus food production it would seem that Canada would be ill-advised to encourage immigration.

The one brilliant suggestion is that a greater population in Canada would lessen the per capita load of taxation. But what a basis on which to invite people from other countries to come and make their homes here!

SUN LIFE SEES IMPROVEMENT

Improvement in general business conditions can be gathered from the 65th annual report of the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada just released for publication by Arthur B. Wood, president and managing director. The statement reflects the strength and stability of life insurance, a voluntary co-operative movement which for generations has stood every test.

Life insurance companies' annual statements, always considered barometers of general business conditions in the territories in which they operate, have been accurate indicators during the depression and since 1933 have shown, in no uncertain terms, that general business is making headway.

TERRIFIC TOLL

When it is realized that on the North American highways last year the toll of deaths caused by automobile accidents reached an unprecedented peak of 36,400, should it not make one think? How many of these lives could have been spared by the proper care being taken? It's up to you, Mr. Motorist, to drive slowly and carefully.—Drumheller Mail.

Ten Minutes with the Scotch Philosopher

On a rather bitter morning early in February a funny little neighbor happened to a close-in neighbor. He is the proud owner of a beautiful five-year-old milk cow, and, knowing that she was about to freshen, went to a great deal of trouble to keep her comfortable.

Twice daily he would lead her down to the watering trough so that she wouldn't join the dry stock running outside.

All went well until the important day arrived.

Then, after loading up with water, she gave a bound in the air, took the fence like a winner in the Grand National—and beat it.

Old Jimmie holloed "Boatie! Boatie!" until he was speechless, but his prize Holstein just kept on going to a distant straw pile.

An hour later, when Jimmie was winding up the morning chores, he heard a terrific bawling.

For a moment he was in a quandary as to what he should do. His horses were in his another field and he knew his calf could never get through the heavy snowdrifts. Then a bright thought struck him.

He seized the wheelbarrow and, following the narrow cattle track, soon had the calf on the way home. The cow followed, as he expected, moaning occasionally as only cows can do.

Panting with his exertions, Jimmie paused at the gate before attempting the last drift near home. That's when he got her.

He heard a fierce bellow right at his heels, but it was timed too late to prevent him from jumping aside through the air. When he recovered the wheelbarrow was still there, minus a handle, but the horned monster and her infant had found refuge in the well house. Local purveyors of moon work pants will rejoice to learn that Jimmie is in the market for a pair. The same he wore at the birthday party where he wrecked beyond repair.

Yet that danged farmer still insists that today can be politically called here is a "plumb gentle cow."

A New York kid is now suing a young actor for ten thousand dollars.

It seems the ungallant fellow tickled her so much that she fell down a flight of stairs. What a good thing that bird got it in the neck.

There was that lasie, probably dying for a good old-fashioned hog and kiss that that poor soulless monster tickled her.

No wonder the maiden hurriedly parted from her effie companion.

A fashion authority of New York City predicts that the new monarch of Britain will soon grow a beard.

In a knowing way, he adds that he will not let his beard grow. This follows suit. That will be fine for some fellows who can look pretty in whiskers, but this old farmer who wears ear-deburs. Please note the reason: Once upon a time, circumstances caused us to develop quite a "rim" on the cheeks and chin, but this was instantly moved down over our head a rude guy whisper, "What's the hangman sticking around here for?"

As you all know "it's an ill wind that blows nobody good."

The announcement that Britain would spend a thousand million dollars on armaments during the next five years must have warmed the hearts of the human vultures who traffic in weapons of war. Some men have long urged the nationalization of manufacture of these things, but support has been lacking.

The armament trade is permitted to carry on its evil practices without hindrance. By liberal bribery and misleading propaganda international hatred and distrust are promoted. This is carried on until some country or other breaks under the strain.

As for this so pie dream it has been proven over and over again.

With the discovery of a simple local anesthetic, patients will now be free from pain while the dentist is engaged in drilling teeth. Furthermore, through the unselfishness of Dr. L. L. Hartman, who discovered it, so this charge will be made for the treatment.

As a well-known radio announcer said, Dr. Hartman could have become a multi-millionaire, but the doctor decreed otherwise.

As many of you are aware, Dr. Hartman was born in a small town and is now professor of dentistry at the Columbia University, New York.

Under these circumstances both Canada and America should be rejoicing that the man himself, with his warm and generous heart, rises above his own brilliant scientific achievement.

The 65th Annual Statement of the SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA

Reflects the Strength and Stability of Life Assurance

A voluntary co-operative enterprise which for generations has stood every test

HIGHLIGHTS OF 1935

ASSURANCES IN FORCE - Exceeded Two Billion Seven Hundred Million Dollars. This is the amount which will be paid by the Sun Life as the policies now in force reach maturity. By 1935 and throughout more than a million policyholders have provided, through Sun Life policies, for the support of their families in case of premature death and their own independence should they live to old age.

NEW ASSURANCES PAID FOR - Exceeded Two Hundred Million Dollars for the year. During 1935 more than seventy thousand persons established estates by purchasing Sun Life policies thus providing security for many thousands of homes.

POLICYHOLDERS AND BENEFICIARIES - Beneficiaries amounted to Eighty Million Dollars were paid out—over Two Hundred and Eighty-five Thousand Dollars for each working day. Since the Sun Life commenced business 65 years ago it has paid out to policyholders and beneficiaries well over Nine Hundred Million Dollars.

ASSETS - Of over Seven Hundred Million Dollars ensure that every Sun Life policy will be settled promptly when the policyholder dies. The assets, in the meantime, this fund invested on behalf of policyholders, contribute notably to national and industrial progress.

SUMMARY OF DIRECTORS' REPORT

ASSURANCE IN FORCE, December 31, 1935	\$1,746,000,000
NEW ASSURANCES PAID FOR	\$19,070,000
INCOME	152,400,000
DISBURSEMENTS	106,177,000
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER DISBURSEMENTS	47,223,000
PAYMENTS TO POLICYHOLDERS AND BENEFICIARIES	903,800,000
ASSETS	707,091,000
LIABILITIES	898,800,000
PAY-UP IN CASH (\$2,000,000) and balance of cash of shareholders' account	\$1,391,000
RESERVE for depreciation in mortgages and real estate	1,901,000
SURPLUS	1,950,000
	\$1,431,000

The valuation of the assets has been made in accordance with the basis authorized by the Insurance Department of the Dominion of Canada.

SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA

Odd Accidents

A writer in the Baltimore Sun tells of some unusual cases encountered in casualties files to which he had access in several offices in that city. Claims, paid and unpaid, were made in each case dealt with.

One peculiar case was that of a woman, who went into a cellar to attend to the furnace. There she found a defect in the plumbing a water heater exploded. A portion of the heated metal was driven against her arm and branded it with letters and figures in the reverse: "Patented 1938."

Another record was that of the young man and girl who were dancing in a public dance hall and walked clear out of the hall and down a stairway. Later evidence showed that the couple had probably taken a drop too much, even before the one that shook them up. Still they brought suit for damages.

A third claimant was the man who suffered the loss by fire of a pair of whiskers, which it had taken him most of his mature years to raise. He considered that he had exceptional claims for damages.

Then the case of the bank depositor. He wished to make a notation and picked up what looked like an ordinary pen lying upon one of the teller's counters. It would not write so he uncovered the cap at one end. It was full of tar, got kept there in case of a hold-up. In this case damages were paid.

A premeditated judgment in a golf case dealt with the killing of a cow by a golf ball hitting her on the head near a fairway one hundred yards distant from the golfer. This particular accident happened in Dover, England, but a suit of \$10,000 was recently instituted by a Baltimore lady hit in the eye by a golf ball.

There was a record from Canada telling of two men playing billiards in a building across a court from a room occupied by an elderly lady. A billiard ball bounced off the table, landed in the window of the room and frightened a cat. The cat jumped on a table and upset a coffee pot. This set off a fire in the cloth and soon the room was burning. The

woman died of shock. The billiard ball proprietor was held liable.

A prominent North Carolina lawyer owned a pet crow. He was sitting on a bench in his yard with the crow perched on his back. The lawyer turned his face toward the bird. The crow pecked him in the eye. As the holder of an accident policy he collected.

A peculiar secondary result of an automobile accident is related. Peacefully cooking supper over her kitchen porch, a woman was so badly scared when an automobile struck her house that she jumped and landed sitting down upon the hot stove. She was seriously burned. The auto driver was held responsible.

There are two bathtub stories given. The first concerned a young lady bathing, all ready to step into the tub. She stepped instead on a piece of wet soap and fell straight out of a low open window, landing on a sand pile in the yard below. She suffered injury only to her dignity.

In the same department was found where Elaine, popular sub-deb, was called to the telephone after turning on the water in the tub. So absorbed did she become in her Jimmy's small talk that she forgot all about the tub until the water overflowed and came trickling down the stairs like a miniature Niagara. Her father paid for plastering and new wallpaper. Neither he nor the company could legally collect from Jimmy.

The late Will Rogers does not escape in this chronicle. He carried insurance upon his polo ponies. A typical story is told of him in connection with this policy. When it was shown by the agent that the gate of his corral could easily be opened by anyone from the outside merely by thrusting a hand through a small aperture in it, he growled, "Well, this is one of the few court spots around the ranch and I wouldn't want to hamper any of the young people of the neighborhood. Let's just leave the gate be like it is and you quote me a little higher rate on the extra risk if necessary."

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Suitable for slips, etc., 36 inches wide. Price 35c Yard

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Very handy hair curler, new patent, highly recommended. 3 for 25c

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New spring shades now in Canada's finest hose. Price 85c, \$1, \$1.25 Pair

BARRYMORE RUGS

Soft and long wearing. Price \$2.95, \$4.50, \$4.95

GROCERIES

FRUIT SPECIAL—1 tin red raspberries, 1 tin red plums, 1 tin pineapple, 1 tin apricots. ALL FOR 69c

CRISCO—3 lb tin 75c
PURE HONEY—5 lb tin 60c

SODA BISCUITS—Wood box 45c
SOUP—Campbell's tomato, 3 for 35c

MOUSE TRAPS—New patent 15c
TOILET SOAP—Guest Ivory, cake 5c

SOAP FLAKES—Princess, 3 lbs 50c
COFFEE—Star Special, 4 lbs \$1

TEA—Broom Orange Pekoe, lb 55c
TOMATOES—2 1/2 lb tin, 25c

CORN—Square Deal Golden, 2 for 25c
CHEESE—Baby Biltons, each 69c

OVALTINE—The Body Builder, \$1.25 also new

APPLE FLAKES—Equal to 8 lb apples, specially for 25c

TEA-BIKK—Ready mixed for hot biscuits, 1 lb 35c

POTATO FLOUR—For soups and gravy, 10 pkgs 20c

SUNNY RIDGE—Hot breakfast food, children like it, pkg 30c

ORANGES—Large, sweet and juicy, 3 doz. \$1

BANANAS—2 lbs 25c

LETTUCE—CELERY—TOMATOES—SWEET SPUDS

JAMES JOHNSTON

"The Quality Store"

Local and Personal News

Herb Landsiedel went back to work at Countess on Monday.

Charlie Hopkins has returned to work with the C.P.R. after being on the sick list for a couple of weeks.

Agnes, Bill and Johnnie Rutchick of Duck Lake spent the week-end with friends in Bassano.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Glenchen were Bassano visitors last Monday.

Mrs. Wilson remained, as a patient in the local hospital.

Of interest to local hockey fans is the entrance of the Indian Juvenile hockey team of the Glenchen Old Sun school in the provincial playoffs.

The children at the Bassano dam, three and a half miles south of Bassano, are unable to attend school these days because of the impassable roads.

Another one of those enjoyable affairs by the Women's Institute is slated for February 28 on the occasion of their Leap Year House Dress dance.

Heard 'n' Seen

Well, Mrs. W's cat came home. "And the cat came back." ... Joe Wilson, Alf H. and ourself playing that funny game with the pop bottle and matches. ... Harry Heber awaiting and slaving; when auditing a set of books, assisted by Cec Palmer. ... Judging from that intimation in Jimmie Florsman's, Scotty must have moved his place of business. ... Harry Ford of Calgary has sent in his entry for that game called "doctor's delight" (Mr. Mail of Jan. 16).

... Roy Enill looking very chilly when trotting by on horseback. ... Agnes, Helen and Collins warming up beside the stove after running a couple blocks in the cold. ... Archie White strolling down the road pulling at a cigarette. ... But we don't really believe that Harold Elvin went shoe-shoeing anywhere. ... Roy Smith shouting greetings to a friend on main street. ... Sandy inside that.

Classified Ads

LOST—Hog. White strip across back. Between Glenchen and Crowfoot. D. KARDORF, Rosemary. 2-p

Knox Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 16, 1936
Sunday School 11 a.m.
Berson Subject:

"The Resurrection"

1. In what it consists.

2. Who shall take part in it.

3. Whom it shall be.

Services Conducted by Mr. C. W. Hekap of Calgary.

There will be a meeting of the congregation immediately after the evening sermon.

Hussar

HUSSAR, Feb. 10.—Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brassard, a son, on February 10, at Sylvan Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson and Mrs. and Mrs. Ted Clark, who have spent the winter in the States, returned by way of Wayne on Monday.

Mr. L. P. Schoelling left on Tuesday for his home in Huntsville, Missouri.

The W.I. will present the play "Ole Ole Ole" in the hall on Friday evening. A dance will follow.

Owing to the condition of the roads there will be no church services on Sunday.

Mr. H. E. Snellings and son Hubert, returned from California on Tuesday morning. They, with the family, will leave for California before the end of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Christensen and sons will be leaving Hussar by the last of March, where Mr. Christensen has rented a butcher shop.

Mrs. L. F. Snyder went to Bassano on Tuesday.

Mrs. Bobbie Thompson and son returned from Calgary by train on Monday.

For coast. Somebody told us that the hide of a grizzly bear that Sandy shot. ... Why did Irvn want us to help him beat up Doc Scott. ... Court-ies Derin making tracks for the garage earlier morning. ... Pete MacLean offering a lift via rumble seat on horseback. ... That's all for this week. We may have practiced "soap box oration" but we hope there was no "mad slinging". Phooey!

A New Story about The King of England

(Maywood Syndicate)

How the present King of England called on Pansie Brice when he visited the United States as Crown Prince, is told for the first time by the comedienne herself in her memoirs in Marvel's Cosmopolitan.

"One afternoon," she said, "I had just returned from an auction house. I had never felt so untidy and grimy in my life, and I looked it. The door-bell rang and I went to the door myself.

"There stood Johnny Wanmaker, Jr. (an old friend) his brother-in-law and a slight, blond young man with nothing particular about him to distinguish him from any chubman of the day. Johnny introduced him by some commonplace English name.

"I made my excuses and went into the bedroom to groom myself. There I saw the nurse. Her eyes were the saucers — she looked frightened. 'What is it? What's wrong?' I asked.

"That is the Prince of Wales in there!"

"You're crazy," I said. "No, no — go look downstairs; there's five bodyguards! Hobby" — that was the English evelier boy — "recognized him from his picture."

"I returned to the dining room, and sure enough, there was the much publicized face of Edward Albert, Prince of Wales.

"I was careful to show no signs of recognition, but when I ushered him into the living room and he admitted the petti-point upholstered chair he was about to sit down in — which I had bought at the auction — I laughed and said: 'Yes, take that chair, and when I come to sell it, I'll get twice as much because you sat in it.'"

"The next night at the Pollies the Prince occupied a box. There he sat, laughing in his absurd, charming laugh throughout the play, and until this moment no one has ever known that the day before he sat in my auction purchase."

LATHOM

LATHOM, Feb. 10.—Mrs. H. Mott and Mrs. P. Powell were Calgary visitors last week. The former plans to make an extended visit with her relatives there.

The 30 club will postpone their meetings until March 4, due to the cold weather. The next meeting will be held at the home of Martha Salmond.

Wish we'd have a chinook and give the "old" canal bank a break. It would do it good to have a rest.

Mr. Freeman, Mr. Smith and Leo Koskovecky were Bassano callers on Monday. Hope you reached there OK.

Ruth Goodie spent a few days with Patricia Mott, returning to her home Sunday evening.

Lance Wurstler and Mr. Woycenko were visitors at Bassano Saturday. Cold, wasn't it?

Mr. Koskovecky spent last week-end at Brooks.

Olga Woycenko was a visitor at the Mott home Sunday.

Most everybody around this part of the country has a bad cold. We suppose you're all trying your best to get rid of them, eh?

Jennie Woycenko was a visitor at the home of Martha Salmond Monday.

Sam "Battone," they can't freeze you in. Worst luck! Eh, what?

Ed Meribeth and Tommy Pickett were callers at the Goodie home last week. The cold weather hasn't any effect on you boys.

Many of the children who attend Lathom school have been absent during these cold days. An unusual event happened: Woycenko taking "hush" to school!

Olga Woycenko and Catherine Wurstler have had quite a few frost-bitten noses these days. You two had better get something to protect your snugs.

Overheard: One day last week Ida and Stuart were eating pickles. Ida: "These are surely good pickles. I ate a few for sauce."

Stuart: "Who ate the pickles?" Martha Salmond isn't seen often around the community nowadays. We suppose she's enjoying these peaceful happy hours around a "fire."

We don't blame you one bit, Martha.

Roy Enill and Jack "Dancer" Hinkle have returned to Bassano after a short stay at Salmond's.

God made the world and all its joys. He made the men the strongest. And just to give the women a chance, He made their tongues the longest.

FEBRUARY BARGAINS!

A Clean-up of Winter Lines In Which We Are Overloaded

... Pure Wool Undershirts ... 100 per cent pure wool, Stanfield and Tiger brand, best quality goods. These garments all slightly shop soiled but otherwise perfect. Note the give-away price. Reg. 2.50 each — BARGAIN PRICE 79c

Wool Combinations

Stanfield's Red Label, 100 per cent pure, heavy ribbed quality, the perfect garment for warmth and comfort, a w. hell. Reg. 3.50, suit—

Bargain Price 2.79

Fleece Combinations

For men, heavy silver, Penman's No. 27 quality, an excellent wearing garment, warm and comfortable. Size: 34 to 44. Reg. 1.75, suit—

Special 1.39

Lot Fleece Shirts

Of excellent quality, all in perfect shape but slightly shop soiled. Reg. 1.25. Bargain, each—

39c

Black Horsehide Coats

For men, No. 1 quality, excellently cut and finished, lined throughout with heavy grey wool lining. A Great Bargain. Reg. 12.50, Bargain Price, each—

7.95

Work or Driving Gloves

Watson's kangaroo lined, a heavy lined glove that gives warmth and long wear. Reg. 1.50. Special, pair—

1.29

Sweater Coats

For men, pure wool Jumbo Knit, of excellent quality, colors black, grey and navy and camel. Reg. 3.95 to 6.95. Bargain Price—

2.95



Work Shirts

Winter suede doe, heavy quality, well tailored, strongly sewn, superize that satisfies. Reg. 1.45, Bargain Price, each—

99c

Spats

The famed Currie quality London spats, snap fasteners, perfect fitting. Reg. 1.95. Bargain Price, pair—

1.29

Pant Overalls

Men's blue denim, 8-oz. quality, 3-inch waistband, nickel rivetted, guaranteed to wear well. Reg. 1.75, Bargain Price—

1.29

LADIES' WEAR DEPARTMENT



Winter Gloves

For ladies, double fabric and heavy fleece lining, fancy long knitted cuff. Reg. 95c. Bargain, pair—

59c

Ladies' Vests

Heavy all wool winter vests with long or short sleeves, long body, cosy and comfortable. Reg. 1.50. Bargain, each—

69c

Sweater Coats

Lot of these pure wool sweater coats and pullovers for ladies and girls, fine wool and heavy Jumbo Knits. Going at—

Half Price

Dress Shoes

Ladies' black and brown pumps, oxford and straps, in calf, kid and suede, spike and Cuban heels. Reg. 2.95 to 4.95. Bargain Price, pair—

1.95

Broadcloths

A few lengths of floral Wabasso broadcloths, best quality, guaranteed to wash and wear well. 36 inches wide. Reg. 30c and 35c yard. Special, yard—

25c

French Flannel

Pure wool, 29 inches wide, in an assortment of good colors. Reg. 85c yd, Special—

59c

White Flannelette

A soft pure unfinned cloth, comes in two widths, 28 and 35 inch. Special, yard—

17c to 21c

GROCERY DEPARTMENT

CANNED PINEAPPLE—Sliced or Crushed, Malaysian, 2 tins 27c

WHEAT BERRIES—Serve with milk or cream, 2 pkts 23c

PEPPER—Pure black ground, lb 33c

MOUSE TRAPS—All steel, colorless, can't nip fingers, each 15c

CEREAL—Sunny Boy, 4-lb pkt 27c

SODAS—AG Handy wooden box, 44 ounces, each 45c

FLOOR WAX—Johnson's Glocat, liquid or paste, tin 61c

JAM—Pure plum, 4-lb tins 47c

COFFEE—Gpo. Washington Acres, 3 for 10c

CORN—Golden Bantam, 2 tins 25c

CANDY—Rum and butter toffee, lb 25c

SOUP MIX—Finest filler for vegetable soup, 2 lbs 25c

COCAONUT—Baker's Snowdrift, sweetened, lb 27c

BIRD SEED—Bruce's Snowdrift, Ration, lb pkt 20c

COFFEE—Malkin's Best Vacuum, 43c

TEA—Malkin's Best Broken Pekoe, 53c

TOILET SOAP—Olympic Shampoo, 25c

STEEL WOOL—Medium, 3 pkts 23c

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